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Applicant:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 22, 2003, Applicants hereby elect Group II, including Claims 11-20 for examination. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the claims in Group I in subsequent continuations or divisions. In response to the Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action, Applicants hereby provisionally elect "mannitol" from the substances recited in claim 2 and "Gingko biloba" from the substances recited in claim 9.

Respectfully submitted,

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